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## STATUS INQUIRY

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully inquires as to the status of the above application. The application was filed on February 20, 2002. Per the office action issued September 19, 2005, the application's last known status was "application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213." On December 22, 2005 Applicants filed a Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment for purposes of correcting the CRF relative to this application and correcting SEQ ID No. 3 in the Sequence Listing. Applicant's prior response of September 29, 2005 addressed and corrected other formal matters regarding sequence compliance. Applicant's request a status update with regard to receipt of the Notice of Allowance for allowed claims 53-72.

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